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### **Southwestern Prince William Sound Goat Hunt Closes**

**Cordova** – Registration permit hunt RG266 for mountain goats in Unit 6(D) will close at 11:59 p.m. on October 25 by Emergency Order of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Hunt area RG266 includes the mainland portion of Unit 6(D) south of Icy Bay, Tiger Glacier and Sargent Icefield, and east of Cape Fairfield.

Aerial surveys and population modeling indicated that a population of about 295 goats resided in registration permit area RG266. The Department set the maximum allowable state harvest at 6 goats, and a total of 10 goats including a quota for federal subsistence hunters. Additional take beyond the harvest objective could harm the long-term stability of these populations. According to Cordova Area Biologist Dave Crowley, the harvest is currently at 4 billies and 2 nannies, with each nanny counting as 2 goats towards the harvest objective. One additional goat was harvested and lost. While nannies without kids are legal game, hunters are encouraged to take billies. Hunters can study and learn sex identification of mountain goats at area offices and on the ADF&G website.

This closure affects only registration permit hunt RG266 in Unit 6(D). All other mountain goat hunting regulations in the remainder of Game Management Unit 6 are not affected by this emergency order.